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Dropped by to see Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, at his request. He gave me a copy of a 17 May letter from Senator Cranston to Senator Hugh Scott in his capacity as Co-Chairman of a Committee to Study Questions Related Top Secret and Confidential Documents and a covering letter of the same date from Scott to Senator McClellan. Senator Cranston's letter suggests that the Senate depart from past practice and disclose the total amounts proposed to be appropriated for CIA, NSA, and DIA 25X1 for Fiscal 1974. Scott's letter requests that Senators McClellan and Young meet with members of the Confidential Documents Committee on this subject after the Memorial Day recess. McConnell asked me for a statement on the procedure by which funds are appropriated for CIA and said he was asking DIA for a similar paper. I called McConnell's attention to several papers we had given him previously on this subject, particularly a paper entitled "Open Appropriation for CIA" which was prepared for him on the basis of earlier discussions on this subject. I said I thought it would serve his purpose. McConnell pulled this paper from his files and said on the basis of a cursory examination he was inclined to agree. I did say, however, we would check to see if there was anything additional we could give him that would be helpful.

McConnell said when Pat Gray was before the Committee this morning reference was made to a memorandum to him from General Walters dated 6 July 1972 and McConnell asked for a copy of this memorandum. I told him I was sure Arnold Smith, of the Committee staff, had a copy but since I had an additional copy in my possession I left one with him. McConnell commented that in Gray's testimony this morning there was no conflict with the testimony given the Committee by General Walters the other day.

John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee staff. Ticer asked for another copy of Mr. Schlesinger's financial statement (the copy previously given the Committee is locked in Braswell's safe). Ticer said they were pulling together material in anticipation of Schlesinger's confirmation hearing as Secretary of Defense and it would be useful to have this material. I told him I would get a copy for him.

Ticer said no date had been set for Schlesinger and Colby's confirmation hearings but he expected Braswell to be talking to Senator Symington about this within the next few days.

I also gave Ticer a copy of the 6 July 1972 memoranda from Walters to Pat Gray which is an attachment to Walters' 6 July Memorandum for the Record.